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What is claimed is:

1. A method for forming a semiconductor device, the method comprising: defining a sacrificial layer (108) over a single crystalline substrate (106);

implanting said sacrificial layer (108) with a dopant species in a manner that prevents said single crystalline substrate (106) from becoming substantially amorphized; and

annealing said sacrificial layer (108) so as to drive said dopant species from said sacrificial layer (108) into said single crystalline substrate (106).

- 2. The method of claim 1, wherein said sacrificial layer (108) is a dielectric layer further comprising at least one of: an oxide layer, a nitride layer, and an oxynitride layer.
- 3. The method of claim 1, further comprising forming a halo implant, wherein, in addition to said dopant species, said sacrificial layer (108) is further implanted with a damage creating species prior to annealing of said sacrificial layer (108).
- 4. The method of claim 3, wherein said damage creating species further comprises at least one of: silicon, germanium, indium, fluorine, and a noble gas.
- 5. The method of claim 3, further comprising forming an extension implant using said sacrificial layer (108).
- 6. The method of claim 5, wherein annealing for said halo implant is implemented at a greater temperature and for a longer duration then for said extension implant.
- 7. The method of claim 1, wherein said sacrificial layer (108) further comprises an oxide layer formed over a silicon substrate, said oxide layer formed at a thickness of about 15 to about 100 angstroms.

8. The method of claim 7, wherein an implantation energy of said dopant species is selected so as to locate a peak concentration of said dopant species at about a middle of said oxide layer.

- 9. The method of claim 1, wherein said single crystalline substrate further comprises a silicon region of an silicon-on-insulator (SOI) device having a silicon thickness of less than about 100 angstroms.
- 10. The method of claim 1, wherein said single crystalline substrate further comprises a silicon region of a field effect transistor (FET) device having a thickness of less than about 200 angstroms.
 - 11. The method of claim 1, further comprising:

defining said sacrificial layer (108) over a patterned gate stack (100) formed on said single crystalline substrate (106);

forming a halo implant by said implanting said sacrificial layer (108) and said annealing said sacrificial layer (108); and

forming an extension implant by additional implanting and annealing of said sacrificial layer (108).

- 12. The method of claim 11, wherein said sacrificial layer (108) is a dielectric layer further comprising at least one of: an oxide layer, a nitride layer, and an oxynitride layer.
- 13. The method of claim 12, wherein during formation of said halo implant, in addition to said dopant species, said sacrificial layer (108) is further implanted with a damage creating species prior to annealing of said sacrificial layer (108).
- 14. The method of claim 13, wherein said damage creating species further comprises at least one of: silicon, germanium, indium, fluorine, and a noble gas.
- 15. The method of claim 13, wherein annealing for said halo implant is implemented at a greater temperature and for a longer duration then for said extension implant.

- 16. The method of claim 12, wherein said sacrificial layer (108) further comprises an oxide layer formed over a silicon substrate, said oxide layer formed at a thickness of about 15 to about 100 angstroms.
- 17. The method of claim 16, wherein an implantation energy of said dopant species is selected so as to locate a peak concentration of said dopant species at about a middle of said oxide layer.
- 18. The method of claim 11, wherein said single crystalline substrate further comprises a silicon region of an silicon-on-insulator (SOI) device having a silicon thickness of less than about 100 angstroms.
- 19. The method of claim 11, wherein said single crystalline substrate further comprises a silicon region of a field effect transistor (FET) device having a thickness of less than about 200 angstroms.
- 20. The method of claim 11, wherein said dopant species comprises at least one of: arsenic (As), phosphorus (P), antimony (Sb), boron (B) and boron fluorine (BF₂).